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At the meeting of the National Committee for Church and Welfare Recovery, held in Washington, D. C., June 14, 1934, this "Call and Program" was approved in substance, but by unanimous vote the name was changed from Church and Welfare Recovery to

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THE CALL

The world is passing through one of the greatest changes in history. There is a growing conviction that the great scientific, economic and social development of the times may prove of doubtful permanent value unless there can be commensurate strengthening and undergirding of the moral and spiritual resources of the nation.

Recognized leaders in all parts of the world and in all walks of life are today voicing the need for a more unselfish recognition of social obligations.

Shifting sand or enduring foundation (Pope Pius XI)

Among the many notable utterances from Catholics, the following statement from the Pope's Encyclical Letter on "Reconstructing the Social Order" is but typical:

"If we examine matters diligently and thoroughly, we shall see clearly that social reconstruction, so much desired, must be preceded by a profound renewal of the Christian spirit, from which multitudes in every country have deplorably sundered themselves. Unless such a renewal takes place, all our efforts will be futile and our social order will be proved to have been built on shifting sand, not upon enduring foundations."

Demands for a more abundant life (President Roosevelt)

In his address to the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, in December, President Franklin D. Roosevelt declared that the government is "seeking through social and economic means the same goal which the churches are seeking through social and spiritual means" and that "the great objective which church and state are both demanding is 'a more abundant life'." The nation must seek a "prosperity built on spiritual and social values." "State and church are rightly united in a common aim."

Cooperative unselfishness (Albert W. Beaven)

Upon the same occasion, Albert W. Beaven, President of the Federal Council, urged unity "upon the higher motive of cooperative unselfishness, upon the solid base of moral character and of life lived according to the purpose and will of God."

The greatest power in the development of man (Charles P. Steinmetz)

Mr. Roger W. Babson in talking with the late Charles P. Steinmetz (who was recognized as the world's foremost electrical engineer) concerning prospective future inven-

tions in connection with radio, aeronautics, power transmission, etc., asked Mr. Steinmetz, what line of research would see the greatest discoveries during the next fifty years? After careful thought Mr. Steinmetz replied, "I think the greatest discoveries will be made along spiritual lines. Here is a force which history clearly teaches has been the greatest power in the development of men. Yet we have been playing with it merely, and have never seriously studied it as we have the physical forces.

"Some day people will learn that material things do not bring happiness, and are of little use in making men and women creative and powerful. Then the scientists will turn their laboratories over to the study of God and Prayer and to the spiritual forces. When this day comes the world will see more advancement in one generation than it has seen in the past four."

Moral and spiritual advance

A recent call to the churches of all lands reminds us that "no change in machinery will avail unless there is a corresponding change in the spirit of men and nations." Another message, signed by the official heads of thirty religious bodies calls for the thinking out of social issues in "spiritual terms." "Our present break-down" is "not merely economic but spiritual." "All plans" should include "moral and spiritual advance."

Changed human hearts (Secretary Henry A. Wallace)

Secretary Henry A. Wallace deals searchingly with the ethical aspects and spiritual significance of the task of government. With the fervor of an evangelist he declares that "enduring social transformation is impossible of realization without changed human hearts" believing that human nature can really be changed.

Secretary Wallace tells us that in this field neither science nor economics can function with satisfaction. He declares that "it is time to hold aloft a compelling ideal." The religious leaders "are dealing with forces even more powerful than those dealt with by the scientists or the economists. When religious leaders have a fiery, yet clear understanding of this, they will, by working on the human heart, so balance the message of the economist and the scientist that we will yet be saved from ruin."

Recovery of wealth and wages are not enough (Mrs. James Roosevelt)

"During the past year we have been greatly occupied with industrial, agricultural and other forms of material recovery, "but" said Mrs. James Roosevelt, the mother of our President, in her radio address on Mothers Day, "recovery of wealth or wages is not enough. There are spiritual ideals and moral values which are far more precious than gold. I rejoice most of all, this year, in the belief that we are on the eve of a greater recovery of our moral and spiritual resources.

"This Golden Rule observance of Mothers Day is but a suggestion of the more comprehensive spiritual and moral recovery that is needed to give lasting values to our material prosperity."

Our breakdown. Our Recovery

These leaders are but expressing a partially conscious hunger of men for spiritual things which they believe to be the beginning of a moral and spiritual awakening in home and family, in economic life, in social relations. Our economic break-down is largely due to moral and spiritual failure and our social restoration depends upon moral and spiritual recovery.

In the meantime, however, the church and welfare agencies have themselves become weakened just at the moment when mankind most needs them at the fullest power. While budgets may not always be the surest measure of moral and spiritual strength.

nevertheless, in the long run, the spirit and practice of philanthropy is a fair indication of religious and social motive.

A grave, transitional situation (Robert E. Speer)

In his address, on April 13, to a group of church and welfare leaders, Dr. Robert E. Speer analyzed the situation in these words: "We are facing a very grave, transitional situation in the matter of the support of educational, philanthropic and missionary agencies which are dependent upon private gifts.

"There are some who think that the golden age of private benevolences has passed by. They point out that the supposition that the noble tide of private philanthropy which we had known in America for fifty years was a natural and permanent phenomenon, is fallacious. It was inevitable, some feel, that this great movement should ebb, and they are now reconciled to what they think to be a new and permanent condition.

"I think this is true with regard to some of the activities that we have known, but there are others of which I do not believe it is true. Their work is obviously still undone, and there will be sincere men and women who will recognize the duty of carrying it forward and seeing that the necessary tasks are adequately maintained until they are accomplished."

Mere tax paying is not a substitute for human brotherhood

Dr. Speer called attention to the assumption of social, educational and philanthropic activities by the Government. While there are undoubted values in this, we must preserve to men the opportunity for expressing human good-will in deeds of love and mercy. Mere tax-paying is not a substitute for the springs of human brotherhood. Collective self indulgence cannot take the place of self sacrifice.

Trusteeship — friendship — service — patriotism — humanity

"There is the principle of trusteeship. It has been spoken of as stewardship, and that is the right idea, but that word as well as the word trusteeship has, one fears, been worn dull. The idea, however, is the central idea of friendship, of service, of patriotism, of humanity. The true motives of life are personal. Love, kindness, brotherliness, pity, good-will: these are the motives without which giving will be thin and poor."

"And lastly, we need to work with the conception of solidarity. It has been a shame that we have surrendered it as far as we have to negative and destructive movements."

Our common Americanism inspired by deep religious fervor (Rabbi D. de Sola Pool)

Upon the same occasion Rabbi D. de Sola Pool said: "The program of this Church and Welfare Recovery movement throws into focus the whole problem of American character. Its primary purpose is spiritual though it also has a financial aim; it seeks a solution, not through sectional, divisive and competing activities, but through our common Americanism, inspired by deep religious fervor."

The Challenge to Catholic, Protestant and Jew

The fundamental principles set forth by these leaders need now to be formulated in realistic and concrete terms. The magnitude of the task is a challenge to those who carry executive and administrative responsibility in our social and religious life: Protestant, Catholic and Jewish. Due care must be taken that financial measures do not obscure the deeper issues. Money is something to be transformed into moral and spiritual values.

A PROGRAM

As the result of a series of informal conferences of the executives of Church and Welfare agencies, The Golden Rule Foundation was asked to name a group of Catholic, Protestant and Jewish men and women who might by contributive and cooperative thinking propose a program of action that may help to meet the situation. After many days of conference the following program is submitted to the interested church and welfare bodies.

CHURCH AND WELFARE RECOVERY

A COOPERATIVE EDUCATIONAL MOVEMENT IN THE INTERESTS OF ALL RELIGIOUS, PHILANTHROPIC, CULTURAL AND CHARACTER-BUILDING AGENCIES

(Tentative, Third Draft, Subject to Further Revision.)

I. BASIC FACTS—Moral Values Are Basic

Important as is the recovery of economic prosperity, assuredly no less important is spiritual recovery through the maintenance of our spiritual ideals, moral standards and character-building institutions.

Decreasing Gifts

The income of religious and private character building institutions decreased from approximately \$1,101,000,000 in 1929 to \$435,000,000 in 1932, a drop of more than 60% in four years time. Financial support continued to fall off in 1933 and a further decrease is threatened in 1934. From this drastically reduced income must be paid irreducible fixed charges, interest, insurance, rents, etc., leaving tragically inadequate support for active, progressive, constructive, statesmanlike ministry.

Increasing Needs

Coincident with this devastating decrease in income has been an almost unprecedented increase in calls for service. The very forces that reduce the income increase the demands. The result is a vicious circle.

Billions of Government Recovery Aid Not Available to Church and Welfare Agencies

Federal, state and municipal funds to the extent of approximately fifteen billions of dollars are being made available for industrial and government relief agencies. None of these government funds is available for churches and private philanthropy, but the very creation of these funds from taxation makes it more difficult to secure gifts for church and private agencies.

Loyalty of Voluntary Agencies in Helping the Government

During these four years of depression the church has been a most loyal and invaluable ally of government and general relief agencies. Every nation-wide financial drive, whether it has been a Red Cross Roll Call, a Community Chest Campaign or an N R A appeal, has sought and received the generous, almost indispensable cooperation of the churches in reaching the public.

II. THE PROPOSAL—Reciprocal Obligation

While adhering unalterably to the principle of separation of church and state, church and private charity organizations may, with propriety, ask the moral support of

the government and the financial support of the public in retrieving the losses that have been sustained during the past four years.

A Cooperative Stewardship Educational Program

The suggestion is made that a cooperative educational program be projected in the interest of all church, charity, cultural and character-building agencies, setting forth, by national magazines, syndicated and feature newspaper articles, radio programs, sermons, and other methods the basic principles of stewardship, placing before every church member, and, as far as practicable, every citizen a three-fold stewardship challenge:

- a. Make a Golden Rule *sacrificial gift* to your Church or favorite Welfare organization—a gift involving a personal sacrifice somewhat commensurate with that which reduced giving has forced upon the less fortunate.
- b. Consider the obligations and possibilities of a gift *from capital* either unconditionally or on the life annuity plan.
- c. Make or review *your will*—recognizing your indebtedness to church and society in the disposal of property.

III. GUIDING PRINCIPLES—Gifts from Capital Required

The government in seeking industrial recovery does not limit itself to the reduced receipts from the income tax or other current revenue. Approximately \$6,000,000,000 of capital and credit in excess of current income is being used by our government this year in its industrial recovery and relief program. Other billions of borrowings or drafts upon government credit for industrial recovery or relief purposes are scheduled for next year. Church members through taxation help to provide these billions of dollars, but none of this huge sum is available for the spiritual and moral recovery program represented by churches and character-building agencies.

Moral Recovery and Stability Equally Important

If the national government, with its powers of enforced taxation is unable to meet the situation from taxes and normal income, how can we expect churches and private agencies dependent solely upon voluntary contributions from a partially *unemployed* membership or constituency to meet their emergency requirements with drastically reduced current gifts? *Sacrificial giving, if need be from capital*, will be required to meet the *increased* obligations and opportunities of church, charity and character-building agencies.

No Super-Organization Planned

Emphasis is to be placed throughout upon the efficiency of existing church and welfare enterprises, without any attempt to create a super-organization or federation.

Church and Institutional Autonomy Protected

Each beneficiary agency would be expected to direct its own regular collecting organization in securing financial results from the cooperative non-sectarian educational program.

Continued Major Emphasis Upon Regular Tested Methods of Giving

The full budget of each church or institution should be secured, if possible, by regular tested methods. The sacrificial and capital gifts arising out of this program should provide for payment of debts, removal of deficits, and enlarged service.

IV. COOPERATIVE ORGANIZATION

Since the program is cooperative, the existing machinery and staff of interested organizations will be utilized as largely as possible. Some cooperative organization and central direction, however, will be required.

National Committee

A National Committee including, for purposes of policy control, recognized clerical leaders of interested church and welfare boards and agencies, and also foremost representative business men and philanthropists nominated by or selected in consultation with recognized church and welfare leaders.

Executive Committee

An Executive Committee which may include in its membership one or more persons from the Executive Staff, or others intimately acquainted with administrative policies of each of the major organizations whose interests the Church and Welfare Recovery seeks to serve. The Executive Committee will have power to appoint a small administrative committee and such sub-committees as may seem desirable.

Advisory Committee

An Advisory Committee of nine or more appointed by the Executive Committee to guide and advise with the executive officers and bring recommendations to the Executive Committee.

Council of Executives

The Council of Executives consisting of members of the executive staffs of such church and welfare organizations as choose to avail themselves of this Program of Church and Welfare Recovery.

Special Committees

Among the special advisory committees that may seem desirable are the following:

SURVEY COMMITTEE to be composed of the directors of statistical or survey departments of the leading church and character-building agencies, together with some of the leading statisticians or survey specialists in the secular field. This Committee will be responsible for collating statistical information as to the decrease and trends in church and charity gifts, and as far as practical interpreting this decrease in terms of closed institutions, recalled workers, reduced salaries, thwarted operations, human suffering and moral decline.

PUBLICITY COMMITTEE to take the report of the Survey Committee and present it in graphic form to the American public through national magazines, daily papers, trade papers, the church press, radio, news-reel, picture screen, Sunday school literature, sermons and other channels of communication.

PASTORS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE to advise from the pastors' viewpoint and cooperate in the preparation of suitable literature and sermon material for transmission through regular Church channels to the local congregations.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATIONAL COMMITTEE to prepare suitable educational material on the subject of stewardship for Sunday school and other church educational agencies.

AN EDUCATIONAL COMMITTEE to collaborate in a stewardship educational program in colleges, private schools and possibly to some extent in public schools.

LAWYERS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE to be composed of foremost lawyers to prepare, sponsor and circulate among lawyers and trust officers as well as through church and welfare agencies, a carefully drafted pamphlet on the subject of wills;

emphasizing their importance and suggesting the moral obligation and best methods of making available to church or other character-building organizations, through wills, a portion of the wealth secured with the cooperation of society. A similar pamphlet may be prepared and circulated on the subject of gifts from capital on the annuity plan.

WOMEN'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE in whose name suggestions may be sent through church or other channels to the women's societies of the churches and welfare organizations as to methods of securing financial response from the nationwide publicity campaign.

OTHER ADVISORY COMMITTEES. There are numerous other National Advisory Committees that might be suggested to enlist valuable voluntary cooperation in various professional and industrial fields. The appointment of these committees will be subject to the judgment of the Executive Committee. Their value consists largely in the enlistment of the services and leadership of influential laymen whose talents and resources otherwise might not be mobilized.

V. METHODS—Utilization of Existing Organizations and Staffs

As far as practicable members of the staffs of the existing church and charity organization are to be utilized in a cooperative relationship for the preliminary work of survey and preparation of educational material for later publicity.

All Collecting Machinery to Remain under the Control of Existing Church or Welfare Organizations

In order to avoid the confusion, misunderstanding and sometimes friction that arise in connection with a central or federated treasury, no attempt will be made to establish a central treasury. Each agency shall be left free to seek contributions from its own constituency by its regular or special methods, and each donor shall be encouraged to send gifts direct to the treasury that commands his fullest confidence.

Expense That May Be Involved

Any expense that may be involved in the cooperative work shall be provided privately by special gifts. No financial obligations shall be incurred until funds are in hand to meet them.

National, State and Local Cooperation

Since the program is wholly educational, non-controversial and altruistic, the movement requests and expects the largest possible measure of contributed cooperation from every agency, including the national, state and local governments.

The Pulpit

More important than any of the above in securing action will be sermons, from thousands of pulpits, which pastors can preach with less restraint and more acceptability if both pastor and people realize that stewardship is the national theme of the day. Pastors, under the leadership of the Pastors Advisory Committee, can be provided with sermon material that may greatly enrich their messages and increase the power of the appeal.

Personal Work

Possibly more important than magazine publicity, radio, news-reel or the sermon will be the personally organized activities of the official members of the churches and of women's societies in the enlistment of the entire membership in a program of sacrificial sharing.

VI. EDUCATIONAL CHANNELS

An effort will be made to use all of those national educational organizations and mediums that are responsive to high, moral, cultural and religious ideals, but that cannot consistently lend their facilities to any one denominational or religious group.

These channels may include the radio, the motion picture screen, the more widely circulated magazines, news-feature syndicates, daily papers, Sunday school and religious educational journals, as well as church and other religious publications.

There will also be opportunity for important service in connection with cooperative surveys, preparation of graphs, statistics, and the publication of well prepared pamphlet literature that can be distributed in imprint editions through national church and welfare organizations.

VII. REGISTERING RESULTS—Specific Appeal Necessary

All of the above suggested educational program will be of little avail unless there is an organized, sustained and well directed effort on the part of the existing church, charity and character-building agencies to secure definite response from their respective constituencies. This must be done very largely by means of a more specific presentation of needs and direct appeal from the national and local church or welfare headquarters, through pastors, women's organizations and other channels direct to the minds, hearts and pocket books of the individual contributors.

Sacrificial Giving

The plea for a sacrificial gift may be regarded as an entering wedge toward more nearly adequate and systematic giving from income or capital. As a means of securing this sacrificial giving, there may be a nationwide campaign during Golden Rule Week, December 9-16, 1934, when women's organizations may take the leadership in a program of nationwide Golden Rule Sharing with those less fortunate.

Annuity Gifts

Under the guidance of the Committee on Annuities, there may be prepared a standard pamphlet on annuity gifts which can be supplied, if desired, with church or organizational imprints, to contributors who may be interested in this method of giving from capital.

Booklet on Wills

Likewise, under the guidance of the Lawyers Advisory Committee, a booklet on wills may be prepared and provided, with or without special imprint, for distribution by church leaders to pastors and special contributors.

VII. IN CONCLUSION

Important cooperation from national leaders, national magazines, radio and similar agencies can be secured for an all inclusive program that could not, with equal propriety and economy, be secured for any one church, sectarian or sectional appeal.

The main purpose of the educational program will be to educate the public on principles of stewardship, and to create a general atmosphere of public interest that will make it easier for existing church and welfare organizations to secure from their regular giving constituency more and larger gifts both from current income and from capital.

More important however than any prospective financial response is a deepening of spiritual life and strengthening of moral purpose upon which any enduring civilization must be founded.

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NATIONAL COMMITTEE—Church and Welfare Recovery

The following are among those who have accepted membership on the National Committee. Titles are given to facilitate identification, though it is understood that membership on the committee shall not be interpreted as *officially* representing or committing any organization with which members may be connected. Other acceptances are being received and will be added in later lists.

The following officers have been elected to serve until the meeting of the National Committee in Washington, June 14, 1934. Executive Committee: Chairman, Francis J. McConnell; Vice-Chairmen, E. Graham Wilson, D. de Sola Pool and George N. Shuster; Secretary, Mrs. Daniel A. Poling. Advisory Committee: Chairman, Charles S. Macfarland; Vice-Chairman, Wm. R. King. Council of Executives: Chairman, E. Graham Wilson; Secretary, Charles V. Vickrey.

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